



NORTHWEST CONNECTICUT PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION (NWCPOA)*

**COMMENTS FOR THE
CT LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC SAFETY & SECURITY COMMITTEE**

**IN SUPPORT OF
HOUSE BILL NO. 6015 "An Act Prohibiting The Charging Of Fees For The
Dispatch of Emergency Services In Response To 9-1-1 Calls"**

AT THE FEBRUARY 7, 2013 PUBLIC HEARING

LEGISLATIVE OFFICE BLDG, ROOM 1E at 11:00 A.M.

By Leonard S. Campbell, MLA - NWCPOA President

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Mary W. Campbell, CRA – NWCPOA Legislative Comm.

Good Morning Chairman Hartley, Chairman Dargan and Public Safety & Security Committee Members, including Senator Witkos from our district out here to the northwest in Torrington. We cannot be there to attend today in person, so we are sending you this testimony today by 9:30 A.M. so it can be included with the rest of hearing written testimony - in support of Proposed Bill No. 6015, introduced by Rep. Butler "to protect the public's health, welfare and safety and not discourage the use of the emergency 9-1-1 network".

Basically, we agree with the other CT property owner groups and Realtors in support of HB 6015 for a number of reasons, including that:

911 calls are a right all residents are entitled to for free;

911 calls are already paid by a surcharge in our phone bills;

Police & Fire Department budgets are already funded with property dollars; and,

Any complaint covered in a municipal ordinance regarding such topic should be dealt with by the state's Nuisance Abatement Laws on the books since the year of 2000 and implemented accordingly.

Sincerely,

Leonard S. Campbell, MLA, NWCPOA President

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Mary W. Campbell, CRA, NWCPOA Legislative Chairman